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SUBJECT: REACTION TO PRESIDENT'S NATIONAL DAY SPEECH

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1. REACTION TO PRESIDENT BALAGUER'S NATIONAL DAY SPEECH
CONTINUES ALMOST UNIVERSALLY FAVORABLE.

2. EVEN AFTERNOON TABLOID PRESS, WHICH IS USUALLY ANTI-BALAGUER, WAS GENERALLY ENTHUSIASTIC IN EDITORIALS FEB 28. EL NACIONAL LAUDED ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTRAL BANK RESERVE ACCOUNT FOR EXCESS FOREIGN CURRENCY AND PROHIBITION ON CENTRAL BANK'S USE OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE FOR IMPORTING LUXURY CONSUMER ITEMS. ULTIMA HORA ALSO COMMENDED BALAGUER'S PROGRAM FOR MANAGING WINDFALL SUGAR REVENUES AND PRAISED "VALUABLE" SPEECH WHICH NOT ONLY REVIEWED PAST GOVERNMENT ACTIONS BUT ALSO ESTABLISHED FUTURE GOVERNMENT POLICIES. RADICAL LEFTIST LA NOTICIA ONLY QUIBBLED WITH PRESIDENT'S PRIORITIES IN EDUCATIONAL SECTOR.

3. PRD SECGEN PENA GOMEZ IN STATEMENT TO PRESS DESCRIBED SPEECH AS "ON OF THE BEST" MADE BY THE PRESIDENT, THOUGH HE ADDED CRITICALLY THAT PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED PLANS EACH YEAR THAT WERE NOT FULFILLED. HOWEVER, CONSERVATIVE EXPRESIDENT OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION LUIS JULIAN UNCLASSIFIED

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PEREZ OPENLY CRITICAL OF SPEECH, TERMING MEASURES PROPOSED

BY PRESIDENT AS ANTI-PRIVATE ENTERPRISE AND TYPICAL OF
SOCIALIST AND COMMUNIST GOVERNMENTS.
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